



Missouri
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Natural Resources

**STATE OIL AND GAS COUNCIL
JANUARY 17, 2012
MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
LEWIS AND CLARK STATE OFFICE BUILDING
GASCONADE CAMP CONFERENCE ROOM
1101 RIVERSIDE DRIVE
JEFFERSON CITY, MO**

OPEN SESSION

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Refaat Mefrakis-Clean Water Commission; Dr. Shari Dunn-Norman, Missouri University of Science and Technology; Mr. William Luebbert-Public Member; Mr. Joe Gillman-Division of Geology and Land Survey; Mr. Donald Ransom-Missouri Department of Economic Development; Mr. Kevin Gunn-Missouri Public Service Commission

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

LEGAL COUNSEL: Mr. Tim Duggan-Assistant Attorney General

STAFF PRESENT: Mr. Jerry Prewett-Geological Survey Program Director; Mr. Kyle Rollins-Economic Geology Unit Geologist; Ms. Jane Williams-Geological Survey Program Executive and State Oil and Gas Council Secretary; Ms. Hylan Beydler-DGLS Information Officer; Van Beydler-DEQ Information Officer

GUESTS PRESENT: Mr. Phil Frick-Altavista/DE Exploration; David Bleakley-Colt Energy and Missouri Independent Oil and Gas Association (MIOGA); Jeremy Viscomi-University of Kansas Tertiary Oil Recovery Project (TORP); Scott Mirly-Laclede Gas Company; Joan Levick-Laclede Gas Company; Carissa Kramer-Kansas Resource Development; Bradley Kramer-Kansas Resource Development; Jewell Patek-MIOGA; Tyler Graham-Palo Petroleum

With a quorum being present, the open session was brought to order by Dr. Dunn-Norman at 10:05 a.m. Dr. Dunn-Norman asked for State Oil and Gas Council and guest introductions.

MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 19, 2011 MEETING

Mr. Luebbert offered a motion to accept the minutes of the meeting held on October 19, 2011 as circulated. Mr. Gunn seconded the motion. Motion carried.

OIL AND GAS COUNCIL REGULATION AMENDMENT UPDATE

Mr. Prewett stated we have nothing new to report.

LACLEDE GAS AQUIFER EXEMPTION REQUEST

Mr. Prewett offered an explanation on the Laclede Gas aquifer exemption request. He stated that the Department is not offering an approval for this exemption and that staff have worked with Laclede Gas on this issue and with other options available to deal with their disposal issue. Therefore, the Bentzen R-5 well permit submitted by Laclede Gas Company was not approved.

CURRENT OPERATOR/COMPANY UPDATE

Mr. Rollins gave a presentation on the current operators in the state.

PRESENTATION: PROVIDING INNOVATION FOR THE INDEPENDENT OIL AND GAS PRODUCER

Mr. Jeremy Viscomi with University of Kansas TORP offered an explanation of the objectives of the University of Kansas TORP and gave a presentation on providing innovation for the independent oil and gas producer. Dr. Dunn-Norman reminded council members and guests of the two day technical conference held at Missouri University of Science and Technology last year in April and stated they will repeat this conference on April 16 and 17 of this year.

KANSAS RESOURCE EXPLORATION SPECIAL PROJECT STATUS REQUEST FOR THE BELTON LEASE IN CASS COUNTY

Mr. Brad Kramer with Kansas Resources Exploration petitioned the council for special project status for the Belton Unit in Cass County. After discussion, Mr. Gunn offered a motion to approve special project status as requested. Mr. Ransom seconded the motion. Motion carried.

LACLEDE GAS SPECIAL PROJECT STATUS REQUEST FOR THE JONES GROUP LEASE

Ms. Joan Levick with Laclede Gas Company petitioned the council for special project status for the Jones Group Lease in St. Louis County. After discussion, Mr. Gillman offered a motion to approve the special project status request for the Jones Group Lease. Mr. Ransom seconded the motion. Motion carried.

SCHEDULING AND LOCATION OF NEXT QUARTERLY MEETING IN APRIL, 2012

After discussion, the council suggested Tuesday, April 17, 2012 at 10 a.m. for the next meeting. This will be in conjunction with the two day technical conference being held at Missouri University of Science and Technology on that date.

OTHER BUSINESS

Dr. Dunn-Norman asked if anyone had anything they would like to bring before the Council. Mr. Rollins updated the Council on the Lemco plugging project.

ROLL CALL VOTE FOR NEXT CLOSED SESSION

Mr. Gunn moved the State Oil and Gas Council meet in closed session before the next regular council meeting for the purpose of discussing matters protected from disclosure by law as provided for in Section 610.021, RSMo., including but not limited to: legal actions, pending litigation and attorney-client privileged matters with the council attorney. Mr. Ransom seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Gillman, yes; Mr. Gunn, yes; Dr. Dunn-Norman, yes; Mr. Mefrakis, yes; Mr. Ransom, yes; Mr. Luebbert, yes. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

As no other business was brought before the Council, Mr. Gunn moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Ransom seconded the motion. Motion carried. Open meeting was adjourned at 11:04 a.m.